

# Millard County

## FACTS



Updated February 2009

## Population

As of July 1st	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Total Population</b>	13,127	13,171	13,230	13,414	13,550
<b>% Change of the Prior Year</b>	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	1.4%	1.0%

Source: Utah Population Estimates Committee.

<http://governor.utah.gov/dea/datatables.html>

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As of July 1st	2007
<b>Delta</b>	3,143
<b>Fillmore</b>	2,124
<b>Hinckley</b>	701
<b>Holden</b>	371
<b>Kanosh</b>	468
<b>Leamington</b>	204
<b>Lynndyl</b>	120
<b>Meadow</b>	236
<b>Oak City</b>	596
<b>Scipio</b>	287

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

<http://www.census.gov/popest/cities>

## Labor Force

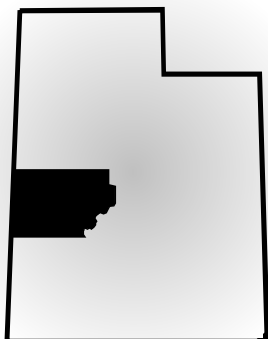
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007p
<b>Labor Force</b>	5,967	6,170	6,110	6,188	6,356
<b>Employed</b>	5,666	5,871	5,859	6,006	6,190
<b>Unemployed</b>	301	299	251	182	166
<b>Rate</b>	5.0%	4.8%	4.1%	2.9%	2.6%
<b>Nonfarm Jobs</b>	3,732	3,823	3,848	3,922	3,988
<b>%Chng Prior Year</b>	-1.8%	2.4%	0.7%	1.9%	1.7%
<b>Mining</b>	76	84	88	82	90
<b>Construction</b>	116	104	93	99	109
<b>Manufacturing</b>	148	141	152	175	187
<b>Trade/Trans/Utilities</b>	1,222	1,222	1,255	1,264	1,295
<b>Information</b>	32	32	33	32	22
<b>Financial Activities</b>	78	80	77	82	73
<b>Profess/Business Svcs</b>	277	310	311	309	330
<b>Ed/Health/Social Svcs</b>	260	279	292	310	311
<b>Leisure/Hospitality</b>	367	370	349	371	380
<b>Other Services</b>	87	121	96	98	95
<b>Government</b>	1,069	1,080	1,102	1,100	1,100
<b>Agriculture*</b>	433	440	452	456	455
<b>Total Establishments</b>	334	339	347	352	345
<b>Total Wages (\$Millions)</b>	105.7	112.7	113.3	120.4	127.6

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, Workforce Information.

<http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utalmis/gotoLaborforce.do>

<http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utalmis/gotoIndustry.do>

\* Jobs covered by unemployment insurance laws; not included in nofarm jobs total.



Due to the presence of Intermountain Power, Millard County shows an unusual domination by the "utilities" industry. Therefore, the average wage in the county measures higher in Millard County than in other counties of comparable size. Agriculture also plays a noticeable role in Millard County.

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—Just about the same. . .

When it came to overall job growth, Millard County's performances in 2006 and 2007 proved remarkably similar. True, growth was slow—below the 2-percent mark for both years. However, Millard County has experienced its share of employment contraction in the past decade, so even slow growth is appreciated. In addition, nonresidential construction permit values provided economic good news.

## Population

In 2007, Millard County, with a growth rate of 1.4 percent, exhibited one of the slower-growing populations in Utah. However, after two years of net out-migration, the tide turned and the county had more “move-ins” than “move-outs.” Currently, estimates place the county's population at 13,400. According to U.S. Census Bureau estimates, all of the county's townships have actually lost population since 2000—suggesting growth is occurring in the unincorporated areas.

## The Labor Market

With rather slow population growth, it's perhaps fortunate that the county's employment base hasn't grown more rapidly. Millard County actually lost jobs in five of the last 10 years. And, with the exception of a spike in employment related to pipeline construction in 2002, its highest rate of nonfarm job growth measured less than 2.5 percent. Even adding in employment generated by agriculture covered by unemployment insurance laws sweetens the employment pot very little.

In 2007, the county once again experienced sluggish employment expansion with a gain of less than 2 percent—about 70 net new jobs. Three major industries shed employment—information, financial activities, and other services. On the other hand, the trade/transportation/utilities industry generated the highest number of new positions during 2007. In addition, professional business services, leisure/hospitality services, manufacturing, construction, and mining all added notable numbers of new positions.

Despite rather lethargic employment gains, the county does seem to be creating enough employment for workers entering or re-entering the workforce. In 2007, the county's jobless rate measured a mere 2.6 percent—just a tad above the state jobless rate and far below the national rate of 4.6 percent.

## Wages

Millard County showed a moderate 4-percent increase in its average monthly wage during 2007—equal to the 2006 increase and more than enough to keep up with inflation. With an average monthly wage of \$2,667, Millard County ranks near the middle of Utah's counties—closer to urban numbers than most of its rural peers. In fact, with an average monthly wage measuring almost 90 percent of the state average, Millard County is unusual among typically lower-wage rural counties.

The large presence of higher-than-average paying utilities in the area helps keep the county's average wage relatively high. However, mining remains the highest paying industry in Millard County.

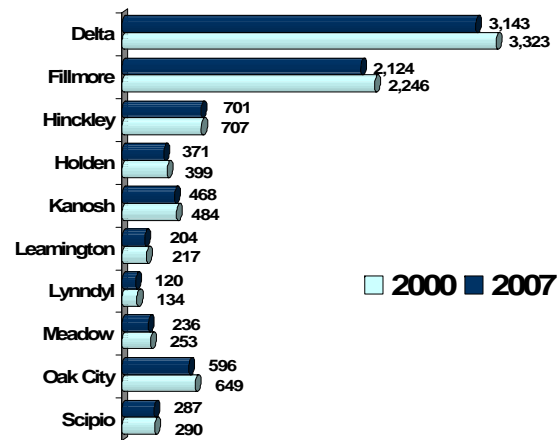
## Other Indicators

As in many areas across the nation, residential building in Millard slowed dramatically in 2007. However, commercial building stepped into the void and pushed total permit-authorized values up 22 percent. Conversely, gross taxable sales dropped by a whopping 21 percent, primarily due to an adjustment in the utilities business investment category. Retail trade sales actually picked up.

## Into 2008. . .

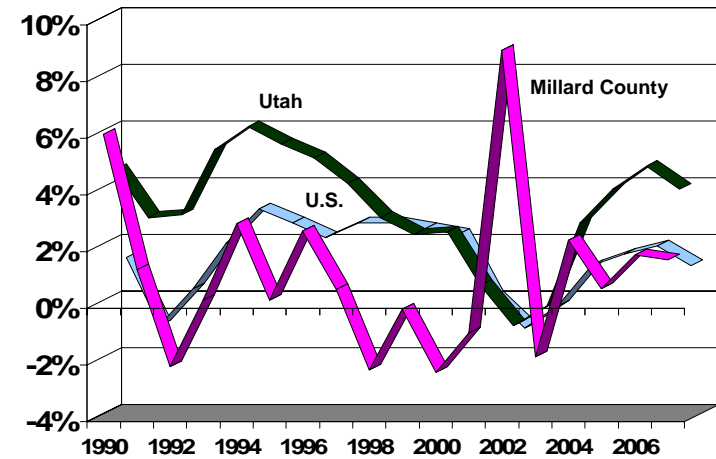
Even slower growth proved the rule as the county started 2008. Between March 2007 and March 2008, the county netted roughly 30 new positions for a growth rate of less than 1 percent. On the bright side, Millard County continues to buck the state and national trends when it comes to construction activity. For the first five months of 2008, permitted construction values doubled the comparable 2007 figures.

## Millard County Population by City



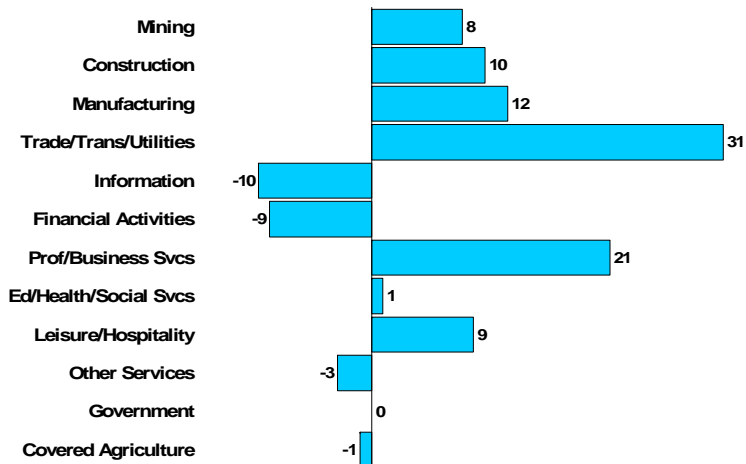
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## Nonfarm Job Growth



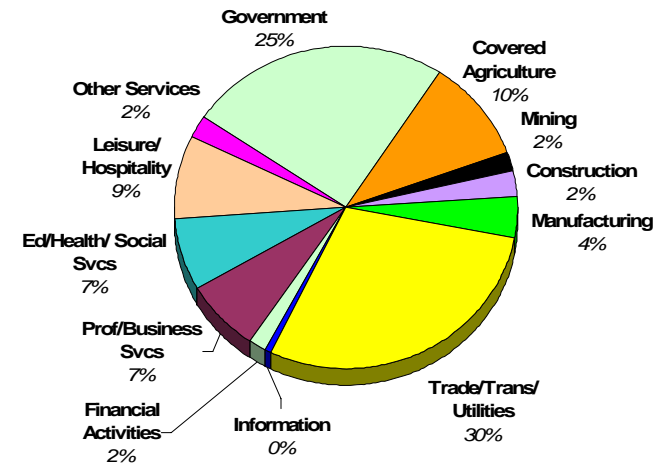
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## 2007 Millard County Numeric Change in Jobs by Industry



Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

## 2007 Millard County Jobs Distribution by Industry\*



\*Includes covered agriculture.

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# Income and Wages

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007p
<b>Total Personal Income (\$Millions)</b>	248.4	271.8	280.2	290.5	NA
<b>Per Capita Income</b>	20,419	22,646	23,548	24,359	NA
<b>Median Household Income Estimates</b>	38,825	40,469	40,555	42,760	44,948
<b>Average Monthly Nonfarm Wage</b>	2,359	2,451	2,455	2,558	2,667

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Census Bureau, Utah Department of Workforce Services.

<http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/reis/>

<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/saiper/>

<http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utalmis/gotoIndustry.do>

# Sales and Building

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008p
<b>Gross Taxable Sales (\$000s)</b>	135,399	137,483	152,390	119,796	NA
<b>Permit Authorized Construction (\$000)</b>	9,103	16,342	10,439	12,686	11,087
<b>New Residential Building Permits</b>	46	55	50	36	33
<b>Residential Build Permits Value (\$000)</b>	5,394	6,712	7,011	5,577	5,371

Source: Utah Tax Commission and University of Utah Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

<http://tax.utah.gov/esu/income>

<http://www.business.utah.edu/bebr/>

## Demographics

	2000
Under 18	37.3%
65 years and over	12.3%
Median Age	29.9
Persons per Household	3.19
Persons per Family	3.66
Female-Headed Families	8.8%
High School Graduates	86.7%
College Graduates	16.8%
Labor Force	
Female Participation	50.0%
Male Participation	72.3%
Self-Employed	10.1%
Commute Time (minutes)	19
Median Family Income	\$41,797
Median Earnings	
Male, full-time, year-rnd	\$36,989
Female, full-time, yr-rnd	\$20,168
Persons Below Poverty	13.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/>

## Largest Employers

Millard County School District  
 Intermountain Power Service  
 Millard County  
 Intermountain Healthcare  
 Great Lake Cheese of Utah  
 Mountainview Mushrooms  
 State of Utah  
 Federal Government  
 Brush Resources, Inc.  
 Paradise Management  
 Continental Lime  
 Sunrise Engineering  
 Duane's Market  
 Delta Egg Farm  
 IGA Super Center  
 Quality Thriftway  
 Droubray Chevrolet, Geo, Olds  
 McDonald's

Source: Utah Dept. of Workforce Services.

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## Other

Population by Race	2000
White	90.0%
Black	0.1%
American Indian	1.2%
Asian	0.5%
Pacific Islanders	0.2%
Other	0.8%
Hispanic/All Races	7.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

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## For More Information . . .



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